

Pouring concrete for the walls of the new 600-foot addition to the Peoria plant began this week, as we hardly need mention for those at Peoria, but might say for the benefit of the Stockton boys, who might, incidentally, have folded up completely so far as any news from them is concerned.

We know that they are going along about as busy as Peoria, but they're like Old Man River—they won't talk, eh?

But to get back to Peoria and 104 in the shade. Emil Harber of Fred Harbers' Sons, contractors, says the building will be finished by or before August 15. The steel is due here July 13.

Four members of the quartette (there are five altogether) are leaving Saturday for Mt. Hermon Young People's Convention near Santa Cruz, California. They are Bill Eitzen, Bill Retts, Pete Rutschman and Orrin Rutschman, accompanied by Mrs. Orrin (Helen Evelyn) Rutschman.

They are going with Mrs. R. G. Le Tourneau, with Louise Le Tourneau, with Frances Getz and Wally ("Cost Accountant") Getz, with Chester ("Yawbut") Hall, Lloyd ("Red") Anderson and Joe Bill e Tourneau. There'll be several cars. They plan to spend Sunday in Omaha and hear Evangelist R. R. Brown, who spoke at the Peoria shop Tuesday of last week. The Convention is for the week of July 13 to 20.

R. G. plans to leave by plane July 10 or 11 to attend the convention.

Is C. D. ("Pop") Cook, night machinist foreman, happy or isn't he happy these days? He is. Last Saturday arrived from Stockton Mrs. C. D. Cook and daughters Roberta and Jeanne to spend the summer.

They are using the home of Ephraim Field, head of the drafting department, while Mrs. Field and Betty and Shirley are in Minnesota.

Harlan Getz, Peoria day machinist, is catching up on lost sleep.

Miss Margaret Merrill of Stockton is a summer visitor to Peoria, and is Norman Cochran, night machinist, delighted?

Mrs. C. C. Cochran, who has been visiting in Nebraska, is here to see her two boys, Norman and Virge, night welding foreman, and Mrs. Virge Cochran.

Paul Harkless, on Le Tourneau's hard ball team, got spiked in the game June 27 and had to be carried from the field. An artery was cut. The score was 11 to 5, favor of Lyceum Stags. Some new players have been and are to be added. We may yet win a game.

The soft ball team is confident it will take the DeMolays tonight. We would feel a little surer if it were the Boy Scouts.

Some of the boys are getting tired of Frank Bruemmer (Angledozer and Bulldozer assembly) continuously postponing his wedding. They say he has been telling them it will be in a week or so ever since January.

Winner of the Safety Column Contest is to be announced next week.

Here are Ray's Safety Hints for this week. Paying attention to them will pay big dividends.

We are having too many cases of burnt eyes in the Peoria plant; caused by the violet rays given off by the electric arcs. Some of the boys have them from week-end to week-end. Some eyes burn more readily than others, but there is no excuse for any to be burned. The colored safety goggles afford ample protection—if worn. Everyone working within 20 or 30 feet of a welder should wear them, and keep them on.

Once your eyes are burned, it takes very little to keep them irritated.

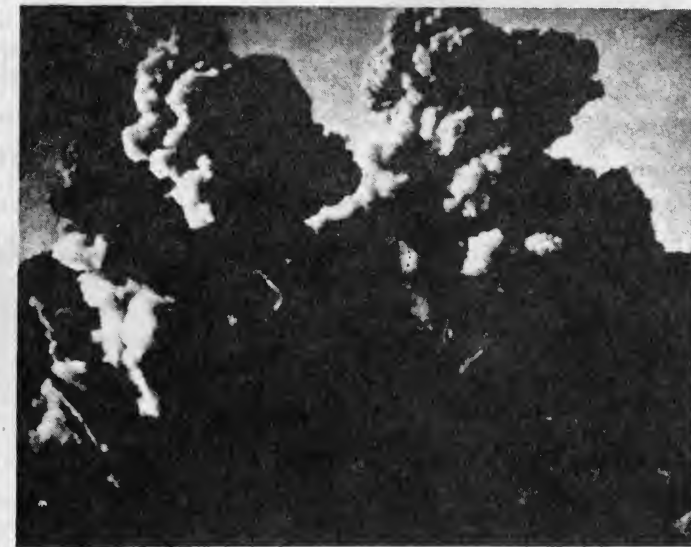
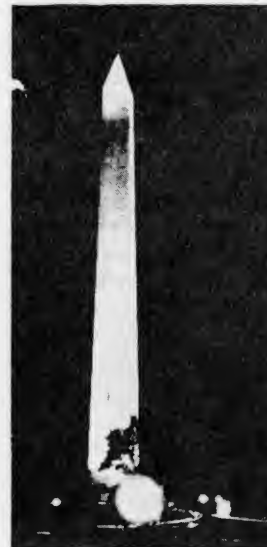
Burnt eyes are very painful as well as expensive in loss of working time.

To which we add our own private and patriotic safety slogan: "Oh say, can you see—"

Our attorney, Carlton C. Case, arrived in Peoria Tuesday from Stockton, bringing with him word that a son had arrived to his daughter, Mrs. Fred Hosie, on his (Grandfather Case's) birthday, June 25. He has been named William Carlton.

Thursday of last week Robert Merchant, tool maker, arrived from Stockton to assist in Peoria production efficiency.

Star Spangled Banner Still Waves



Commemorating the birth of the national liberty we still enjoy at a time when much of the world is in bondage to dictators, we present—(1) George Washington's Mount Vernon home. (2) An 8-yard Carryall demonstrating near Fredricksburg, Virginia, Washington's boyhood home. Incidentally, we won the order. (3) Washington Monument at night. (4) Our July 4 shot: Getting a big bang out of the Boulder Dam highway contract in 1931, R. G. Le Tourneau's farewell to contracting.

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Conscience Stricken¹⁴ Pay U. S. \$626,043.26

The other day Henry Morgenthau, Jr., Secretary of the Treasury, opened a letter bearing a Philadelphia postmark, took from it two \$1,000 bills, a \$500 bill and four \$100 bills, sent by an anonymous person with a guilty conscience, reports Literary Digest.

In 1811 some similarly conscience-stricken person sent the U. S. Treasury \$5. That was the start of the "conscience fund." To date the money thus repaid by defrauders of the government totals \$626,043.26. The largest single restitution received was \$30,000, sent with a note saying that the sender had with this installment repaid \$80,000 on a \$20,000 theft.

Like another letter-writer who sent in an 8-cent stamp in restitution for a 2-cent stamp used twice, this thief was emulating Zaccheus, the publican (tax gatherer) who told the Lord Jesus Christ: "If I have taken anything from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold."

But the One to Whom Zaccheus spoke made far greater restitution. Psalm 69 depicts His inward suffering as the spotless sin-bearer, scorned by man, forsaken by God. In the third verse He says: "Then I restored that which I took not away."

We owe God perfect righteousness, but, sinners by nature, we have never paid, nor ever could pay, one iota of that debt. But He, Himself sinless, died on the cross to pay the full debt. Is God satisfied with the payment? Is the debt wiped out completely?

Dying, the Lord Jesus Christ said: "It is finished." And in Romans, chapter 4, we read this:

Verse 3—*Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for righteousness.*

Verses 23-25—*Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it (righteousness) was imputed to him; but for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe*

in Him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead; Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification.

Chapter 5, verse 1—*Therefore, being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Modern Jonah Survives Swallowing By Whale

Forty-five years ago, the Literary Digest quoted from the magazine Cosmos (Paris) an article by M. P. Courbet. Requests for reprints of that article immediately began to flood in and are still being received in the Digest office. Last week the Digest reviewed that 45-year-old article on the occasion of the publication of a book titled "Gospel Light," written by George M. Lamsa, an Assyrian scholar who has been studying the Aramaic language, one of the distinct Hebraic dialects, back in the hills of Kurdistan, where it is still spoken.

Mr. Lamsa contends that the story of Jonah being swallowed by a whale is "Oriental hyperbole"—an exaggeration. But here is the story of an alleged modern Jonah that the Literary Digest retells, first quoting from the Bible:

Jonah 1:15—*So they took up Jonah, and cast him forth into the sea; and the sea ceased from her raging.*

1:17—*Now the Lord had prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.*

2:1—*Then Jonah prayed unto the Lord his God out of the fish's belly.*

2:10—*And the Lord spake unto the fish, and it vomited out Jonah upon the dry land.*

"In the month of February, 1891, the whaler, Star of the East, launched two whale-boats to pursue a superb whale. . . The huge creature was harpooned and wounded to the death.

"While it was writhing in its last agonies, one of the whale-boats was struck by its tail and shattered to pieces. The

sailors who were in it were thrown into the water; all but two were saved . . . The body of one of the missing was recovered, but a man named James Bartley could not be found.

"When the monster ceased moving . . . the work of cutting it up began . . . when it was ended, the stomach of the whale was opened. What was the surprise of the whalers to find in it their lost comrade, James Bartley, unconscious but alive!

"They had much trouble in reviving him . . . not until three weeks had elapsed did he recover his reason and give his impressions.

"I remember very well," he said, "the moment when the whale threw me into the air. Then I was swallowed, and found myself enclosed in a firm, slippery channel whose contractions forced me downward . . . Then I found myself in a large sac . . . I could still breathe, tho with much difficulty . . . Then I lost consciousness."

"This 1891 article pointed out," comments the Digest, "that the Bible had never said Jonah was swallowed by a whale, but simply by a 'great fish.' Scientists at that time were disputing that a man-sized creature could pass through a whale's throat.

"But other scientists were even then saying that certain sperm whales could swallow animals larger than a man."

Whether or not the James Bartley story is true, the Jonah story can be affirmed on the best of authority to be literal, not figurative as Mr. Lamsa and other Bible critics declare.

Critics who attack the story today by doing so evidence that they are not as wise as were the disputers of 1900 years ago. Those critics were too smart to deny its literal truth. When men assert that such-and-such a thing has happened or will happen just as surely as some other thing has occurred, the occurrence they refer to is one known to the listeners to have surely happened.

When the modernists and higher critics of our Lord Jesus Christ's time asked

Him to show them some sign to evidence that He was Who He claimed to be, the Son of God, He made them in part this reply (Matthew 12:39-40):

"An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall be no sign given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas:

"For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's (or great fish's) belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth."

When in fulfillment of this prophecy He hung on Calvary's cross dying for our sins as the Lamb of God, the only acceptable sacrifice, these critics and others taunted Him with such words as: "If Thou be the Son of God, come down from the cross." But His remaining there and paying the full penalty for our sins, so that we have but to acknowledge Him as Saviour to be forgiven, was evidence that He was the Son of God.

And as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the whale, and then came forth whole and able to preach the warning he was sent to Nineveh to preach, so the Lord Jesus Christ died for our sins, according to the Scriptures, was buried and rose again the third day, according to the Scriptures.

However, believing that the whale swallowed Jonah and three days later tossed him out alive, will bring no one salvation, for the scribes and Pharisees who believed it were not saved. But faith in the Lord Jesus Christ as the One Who died for our sins, was buried and rose again the third day, will save.

"If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. (Romans 10:9)"

NOW

"Behold, NOW is the accepted time; behold, NOW is the day of salvation."—2 Corinthians 6:2.

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